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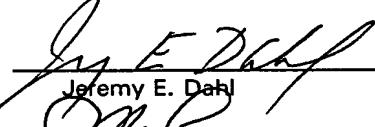
**A S S I G N M E N T**

WHEREAS, we, Jeremy E. Dahl, Robert M. Carlson and Shenggao Liu residing in the Cities of Palo Alto, Petaluma and Albany respectively, and in the Counties of Santa Clara, Santa Rosa and Alameda respectively, all in the State of California, have invented new and useful improvements in DIAMONDOID-CONTAINING MATERIALS IN MICROELECTRONICS set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States,

(check [X] having an oath or declaration executed on even date herewith;  
one)  bearing Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and filed on \_\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and having a regular and established place of business at San Ramon, State of California, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to the Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor:

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor, not only for, to and in the United States of America, but for, to and in all other countries; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

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Jeremy E. Dahl

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